STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATION

**INTER-OFFICE MEMO** 

March 5, 2012

**TO: Rosemary Booth Gallogly** 

**DEPT: Department of Revenue** 

FROM: Walter Craddock, Esq. Chairman

**DEPT: Division of Motor Vehicles** 

SUBJECT: HEARING BOARD RESULTS

Please be advised of the following matters which were heard before

the Board on Thursday, February 9, 2011. Board members: Walter

Craddock, Esq., Dennis Gerstmeyer, James Botvin and William

Jeffery. Also present Marcy Coleman, Esq., Division of Legal Services

and Sgt. David Doucet of Enforcement Office.

Sgt. David Doucet of the Rhode Island State Police has recused

himself from the dealer hearing board while on special assignment

the Department of Motor Vehicles Enforcement Division until further

notice.

MEETING OF FEBRUARY 9, 2012 AT 9:00 AM AT THE
DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES –3RD. FLOOR, CONFERENCE
ROOM, 600 NEW LONDON AVENUE, CRANSTON, RI 02920

1. REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF: JANUARY 26, 2012 BOARD HEARING

Minutes have been reviewed and accepted by the board

2. CHRISTOPHER MOTORS, (George Y. Rizk owner) KR-12-045
DEALERSHIP REQUESTING A VARIANCE IN THE PROCUREMENT OF
A NEW LOCATION AS A RESULT OR CONDEMNATION OF HIS
CURRENT LOCATION BY THE RI DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION.

Decision: The Board has determined that any previously granted privileges shall continue with the license within limits and the building must be the same size or larger than the current building.

3. RICHMOND MOTOR SALES INC (Angela Badway, President)
ANNEX APPLICATION CASE # KR-12-020

AT: 519 PAWTUCKET AVENUE, PAWTUCKET, RI 02860

Decision: The Board has granted the annex application subject to the lease being notarized.

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4. DELTA AUTO SALES, (Edward Pontarelli, Pres.)

TRANSFER APPLICATION CASE # KR-12-028

FROM: 42 STARR STREET, JOHNSTON, RI 02919

**TO: 30 ACORN STREET, PROVIDENCE, RI 02903** 

Decision: The Board has approved the transfer application subject to the submission of a second hand license to the RI Dealers License and Regulations Office.

5. D&M MOTOR SALES INC. (Michael J. Notarianni, President)

TRANSFER APPLICATION CASE# KR12-036

FROM: 178 PHENIX AVENUE, CRANSTON, RI 02920

TO: 50 LIBERA STREET, CRANSTON, RI 02920

This case was postponed at the request of the dealership.

6. DEALERS LICENSE AND REGULATIONS OFFICE V. BERNIER'S AUTO AND TRAILER SALES, LLC. (Susan Patras, Partner)

DEALERSHIP CLASSIFICATION CHANGE FROM NEW TO USED.

CASE# KR12-038

Decision: The Board has determined that the dealership status will be changed from a new car dealership to a used car dealership. The dealership will be issued a used car license and the dealer will turn in his new car dealer plates and be issued two used car dealer plates.

7 DEALERS LICENSE AND REGULATIONS OFFICE V. COMPETITION IMPORTS INC (Eugene Lawrence Alofsin, President)
DEALERSHIP CLASSIFICATION CHANGE FROM NEW TO USED.
CASE# KR12-037

Decision: The Board has determined that the dealership status will be changed from a new car dealership to a used car dealership. The dealership will be issued a used car license and the dealer will turn in his new car dealer plates and be issued nine used car dealer plates.

8 VILLAGE MOTOR SALES, (John Capelli, President)
REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL DEALER PLATES. CASE# KR12-041

Decision: The Board has awarded the dealership 7 additional dealer plates.

9. NEW ENGLAND AUTO PAWN LLC, (Kiara Peralta, Member) AND GEMINI AUTO SALES, (David Defreitas, Member) CASE# KR12-025 TO OBTAIN VEHICLES AS COLLATERAL FOR LOANS AND SELL THE VEHICLES THROUGH PARTNERSHIP WITH LICENSED DEALERSHIP

This hearing has been tabled to allow the attorney for the Department of Motor Vehicles to confer with the attorney for New England Auto Pawn LLC and Gemini Auto Sales.

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10. DEALERS LICENSE AND REGULATIONS OFFICE V. FIVE STAR AUTO SALES, (Robin Perez, Partner) CASE# KR12-022 FAILED TO RENEW LICENSE BOARD TO DETERMINE APPROPRIATE ACTION.

Decision: The Board has determined that the dealership license will not be renewed because of the following violations.

RI Rules and RegulationsVI (A) (1): Any scrap/salvage dealers must set up an entirely separate place of business to operate as a motor vehicle dealer.

RIGL§ 31-5-11 (1), (3), and (10): (1) proof of unfitness of applicant to do business as a motor vehicle dealer; (3) failing to comply with the provisions of this section or with any rule or regulation promulgated by the department under §§ 31-5-1 – 31-5-20. and (10) for having indulged in any unconscionable practice relating to business as a motor vehicle dealer.

11. DEALERS LICENSE AND REGULATIONS OFFICE V. SUNSET AUTO SALES, INC (Carlos Baez, President) CASE# KR12-021 FAILED TO RENEW LICENSE BOARD TO DETERMINE APPROPRIATE ACTION.

This case has been tabled to allow the opportunity for the legal representative for Five Star Auto Sales to be present at the hearing.

12. JAMES EVANS V. ROUTE 44 AUTO SALES, (Frank Fiorenzano, President)

SHOW CAUSE HEARING CASE# KR11-0352

This hearing was postponed at the request of Jeffrey F. Caffrey, Esq. legal representative for Route 44 Auto Sales, Inc.

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Walter Craddock, Esq. Chairman

Cc: John DiTomasso, Assistant Administrator, DMV
Marcy Coleman, Esq., Division of Legal Services, DOR
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